## **Durant, Jennah**

From: Gray, David

Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2017 8:12 AM

To: Durant, Jennah

**Subject:** Fwd: FairWarning, Dan Ross

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EPA formally acted on Arkansas 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016 303(d) lists of water bodies on July 19. Attached is a copy of our letter.

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EPA's National Enforcement Investigations Center (NEIC) conducted a multimedia inspection in 2015. We are working with GP on a final resolution of the NEIC inspection findings and have issued several enforcement actions. Both the report and the actions can be found on EPA's website. https://www.epa.gov/ar/compliance-assurance-and-enforcement-documents-arkansas

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We have conducted numerous hazardous waste inspections at the GP site but we are not aware of any illegal dumping of hazardous materials by GP on specific private properties.

From: Daniel Ross [mailto:dross1@gm.slc.edu]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:06 PM
To: Durant, Jennah < <u>Durant.Jennah@epa.gov</u> >
Subject: Georgia Pacific plant, Crossett
Hi Jennah
This is Dan Ross, the reporter with FairWarning, working on the story about the Georgia Pacific plant in
Crossett, Arkansas.
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Sincerely,
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